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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action dated August 7, 2000, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 3 and 15-23 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 12 as follows.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 12 are shown in amended form below. A clean copy of the amended claims is attached as Appendix A.

1. (Amended) Hydrogenated starch hydrolysate, comprising
 - A. a content of hydrogenated monosaccharides [(DP=1)] degree of polymerization equals 1, of [less than 8] from about 2.6 to about 7.7 wt.-%;

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